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Reply to Office Action of March 21, 2005

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Remarks

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the indication of allowable subject matter in the Office Action.

Claims 1-66 were pending in the application. Claims 1-43 have been allowed; claims 45-52, 57-60, 64 and 66 were objected to; and claims 44, 53-56, 61-63 and 65 were rejected. By this paper, claims 44, 46, 47, 49, 56, 58-60, 64 and 66 have been amended, and reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested. Furthermore, claims 45 and 57 have been cancelled, and new claims 67-69 have been added.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 44, 53-56, 61-63 and 65 were rejected under § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,024,262 to Duncan. Without agreeing with the rejection, claim 44 has been amended to include features of dependent claim 45, and claim 56 has been amended to include features of dependent claim 57. Because claims 45 and 57 were indicated as being allowable if rewritten in independent form, claims 44 and 56 are believed to be allowable as amended.

Claims 46, 47 and 49 have been amended to depend from claim 44, instead of claim 45. In addition, claims 58-60 have been amended to depend from claim 56 instead of claim 57. Moreover, objected to claims 64 and 66 have been rewritten in independent form. However, the phrase "each of the at least one securement surface forming only an outer surface of the console housing" has not been included in claims 64 and 66.

New Claims

New claims 67-69 have been added for consideration by the Examiner.

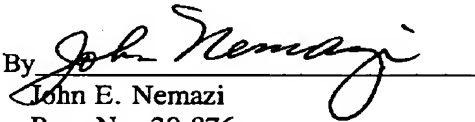
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Conclusion

Applicants have made a genuine effort to respond to each of the Examiner's objections and rejections in advancing the prosecution of this case. Applicants believe that all formal and substantive requirements for patentability have been met and that this case is in condition for allowance, which action is respectfully requested. If any additional issues need to be resolved, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at his earliest convenience.

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